

Appl. No. 10/500,878
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REMARKS

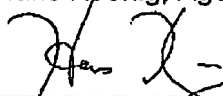
Applicant elects Group II, claims 5-9 and 15 without traverse.

Claims 1-4, 10-14 and 16 are withdrawn. Claims 5-9 and 15 are amended in view of the restriction requirement to re-write claim 5 as an independent claim and to amend the claim dependencies in claims 6-9 and 15. Claims 17-19 are new and are based on claims 2-4. Clerical errors in claim 5 were corrected.

Applicant submits that this response is timely filed as the due date of May 12, 2007 fell on a Saturday when the Patent Office was closed for business, and today May 14, 2007 is the first business day after which the Patent Office is open for business.

Respectfully submitted,

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